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## SAFE AND DRUG FREE SCHOOLS FUNDING (SDFS) AND BULLYING REPORTING AVAILABLE FOR FY17

(BOISE) – During the 2016 legislative session, \$4,024,900 was allocated through <u>House Bill 620</u> for districts to implement substance abuse prevention measures and school safety improvements. The funding formula calls for a base amount of \$2,000 for every district and public charter school plus a prorated amount based on FY16 Average Daily Attendance (approximately \$13.00 per student).

To draw down funding, districts and charters are asked provide a brief summary of outcomes related to previous Safe & Drug Free expenditures and describe a plan to train school staff in bullying prevention, as required by <a href="Idaho Code 33-1631">Idaho Code 33-1631</a>. Funding availability is dependent upon available tobacco and lottery tax revenue. Drawdown requests for SDFS funds are conducted through an application, which is imbedded within the ISEE portal and will be released by early September, 2016 and can be accessed here:

http://www.sde.idaho.gov/student-engagement/sdfs/index.html

In an effort to streamline processes, the reporting of bullying incidents required by <u>Idaho Code</u> 33-1631 is imbedded within the Safe and Drug Free Schools application. The form includes definitions and reporting parameters and was designed to satisfy requirements with the least amount of burden. The due date for funding requests and bullying reporting is October 28, 2016.

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